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WASHINGTON WHEAT STOCKS UP FROM 2005

OLYMPIA, Wash., June 30, 2006--All wheat stored in Washington on June 1, 2006 increased from June 1, 2005. The quantity of wheat stored in Washington is up 33 percent to 48.3 million bushels, 11.9 million bushels above a year ago. Wheat stored on-farm increased from 1.8 million bushels in 2005 to 2.5 million on June 1, 2006. An increase was also seen in off-farm holdings from 34.5 million a year ago to 45.8 million bushels being held on June 1, 2006.

All wheat stocks in the Pacific Northwest (Washington, Oregon and Idaho) increased with 80.5 million bushels in storage on June 1, 2006, compared to 64.6 million bushels from a year ago. On-farm stocks show a 4.8 percent increase with 8.7 million bushels in storage on June 1. Off-farm stocks are at 71.8 million bushels, an increase of 27 percent. U.S. wheat stored in all positions on June 1, 2006 totaled 568 million bushels, up 5 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks, at 111.0 million bushels, decreased from 161.3 million bushels in 2005. Off-farm stocks were up, at 456.8 million bushels, compared to 378.8 million bushels last year.

Washington barley stored on-farm fell from last year, resulting in a June 1 stock of 250,000 bushels. Off-farm barley stocks declined slightly from last year's holding at 2.8 million bushels. Barley stored in the Pacific Northwest was up, at 30.8 million bushel on June 1, 2006, an increase of 771,000 bushels compared to 2005. Nationally, barley stocks in all positions decreased 16 percent from a year ago at 108.0 million bushels.



GRAIN STOCKS: JUNE 1, 2005, MARCH 1, 2006 & JUNE 1, 2006

Crop & Quarter	Washington			Pacific Northwest 1/			United States		
	On Farms	Off Farms 2/	Total	On Farms	Off Farms 2/	Total	On Farms	Off Farms 2/	Total
	Thousand Bushels								
Wheat 3/									
Jun. 1, 2005	1,800	34,518	36,318	8,300	56,339	64,639	161,275	378,825	540,100
Mar. 1, 2006	9,500	73,951	83,451	26,500	110,834	137,334	256,000	716,215	972,215
Jun. 1, 2006	2,500	45,754	48,254	8,700	71,784	80,484	111,010	456,833	567,843
Oats 3/									
Jun. 1, 2005	*	137	*	*	516	*	25,350	32,592	57,942
Mar. 1, 2006	*	106	*	*	535	*	42,200	32,673	74,873
Jun. 1, 2006	*	70	*	*	414	*	25,190	27,401	52,591
Barley 3/									
Jun. 1, 2005	300	2,837	3,137	7,600	22,404	30,004	41,100	87,317	128,417
Mar. 1, 2006	700	5,514	6,214	19,500	32,118	51,618	68,400	98,354	166,754
Jun. 1, 2006	250	2,776	3,026	6,390	24,385	30,775	30,770	77,261	108,031
Corn 3/									
Jun. 1, 2005	*	7,912	*	*	11,384	*	2,462,300	1,858,513	4,320,813
Mar. 1, 2006	*	6,912	*	*	11,038	*	4,055,000	2,932,328	6,987,328
Jun. 1, 2006	*	7,163	*	*	10,123	*	2,350,500	2,012,020	4,362,520

^{1/} Includes Washington, Oregon, and Idaho.

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^{2/} Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals, and processors.

^{3/} March 1, 2006 stocks were revised.

^{* &}quot;Off- farms unallocated" includes State data not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations; "on farms unallocated" includes minor producing States' data not published separately.